

## SUMMARY.

Seventeen cases of meningitis due to *hæmophilus influenzae*, fourteen of which recovered, are reported.

The incidence of the infection is discussed.

A combination of 25,000 units of penicillin and 25 to 50 mg. of streptomycin intrathecally daily with one mega unit of penicillin and 20 mg. per pound body-weight of streptomycin intramuscularly daily and oral sulphonamide is advocated for treatment. All thirteen cases so treated recovered.

The clinical features, age incidence and the association of extra-meningeal infection is discussed.

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## REVIEW

ESSENTIAL UROLOGY. By Fletcher H. Colby, M.D. Williams & Wilkins Company. (Baillière, Tindall & Cox). 61s. 6d.

THIS American text-book is stated to be written mainly for students and covers embryology, anatomy, physiology and pathology as well as diagnosis and treatment.

The subject matter is clearly and simply expounded and the illustrations are abundant and excellent.

Treatment is dealt with only on very broad general lines, perhaps wisely in view of the rapid advances and changes in chemotherapy and operative techniques.

Very few students in this country could afford the time to read text-books on each special sub-division of surgery and much less the expenditure this would involve, but for those who can this book can be recommended.

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